

## **NIEM News**

## 2007 Global Justice Information Sharing Users' Conference

The Global Justice Information Sharing Users' Conference brought more than 300 stakeholders to the Chicago, Illinois, area during the week of August 20–23, 2007, to learn more about the most recent advances in information sharing. Sessions on both the Global Justice Extensible Markup Language (XML) Data Model (Global JXDM) and the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) were well received by those who attended the conference and are available for review via the following link: www.it.ojp.gov/usersconference/presentations.



Patrick McCreary welcomes participants to the 2007 Global Justice Information Sharing Conference.



Kshemendra Paul presents Mr. John Woodcock with a NIEM shirt as a token of appreciation for his support of the conference and the NIEM initiative. The NIEM baseball t-shirts were a hot item at this year's conference.

A baseball theme was incorporated into this year's conference. T-shirts, autographed baseballs, and other souvenirs were randomly distributed among the participants to encourage practitioners to "Get on the Team and Share with NIEM." Van Hitch, Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), was properly recognized by the NIEM leadership team for his support of NIEM and the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative. Special recognition was also given to

Kshemendra Paul, DOJ's Chief

Architect, for his outstanding leadership and dedication to the NIEM initiative.

After absorbing all the information presented throughout the week, participants were given the opportunity to ask the experts questions about Global JXDM and NIEM in a town hall meeting session. The questions answered and feedback received during this session proved to be valuable to both participants



Patrick McCreary (right) presents Van Hitch (left) and Kshemendra Paul (center) with NIEM memorabilia for their dedication and support to the NIEM initiative

and the leadership team. After such a great conference, participants are already asking for information on the next event. Please continue to check the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Information Technology Initiatives Web site for the latest information on future Global Justice Information Sharing Conferences.



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